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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY  
THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE  
THE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR  
NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS  
THE CHAIRMAN, PRESIDENT'S FOREIGN  
INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY BOARD

SUBJECT: United States Intelligence Activities  
and the Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board

On October 20, 1981, I issued Executive Order 12331 which established the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board. In so doing, I have reaffirmed this Administration's total commitment to revitalize and strengthen our intelligence capabilities in order to enhance the security of the United States.

I take this opportunity to emphasize the importance which I attach to the mission of the Board and to the intelligence functions of our government. I consider accurate, timely and objective intelligence an indispensable tool in the conduct of our national security and foreign relations; I am determined that we have the best intelligence that human capability and technology can create. Therefore, I am charging the Board to provide me with their frank, creative and continuing evaluations, judgment, and recommendations. I have carefully outlined the Board's important duties in the Executive Order and from time-to-time will provide additional guidance to the Board. By this means, I am looking to the Board to assist the Director of Central Intelligence and the entire intelligence community in achieving increased effectiveness.

I request that all heads of departments and agencies concerned cooperate fully with the Board so that it can carry out its responsibilities to me. In addition, you are encouraged to identify those matters in which the support of the Board will further the effectiveness of the national intelligence effort.

Ronald Reagan

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